

Miami Jewish Health – Brigham Young University Gerontology Program EmpathiCare Internship

Description: This internship provides a six-week immersion into a multidisciplinary long-term care setting in Miami, enabling students to gain exposure to every aspect of providing care to aging individuals, including multiple levels of care and clinical services, administration and development, and various therapeutic modalities. Interns live on campus and become part of the community for the duration of the internship, learning from geriatric and gerontological professionals and practitioners, shadowing them, providing hands-on care and running a selected project.

Program Length: Six weeks (May 4 – June 12, 2020)

Location: Miami Jewish Health campus, Miami, Florida

Program Director: Marc Agronin, MD

Elements of the Internship:

- Reading and didactic lectures on issues in aging, geriatric services and relevant age-related conditions (e.g. Alzheimer’s disease, frailty, long-term care models)
- Exposure to a community of aging individuals in levels of care including independent and assisted living, memory care unit, nursing home, skilled nursing / rehab, day programs, and hospice
- Exposure to services lines including a memory and research center, PACE (Program for All Inclusive Care for the Elderly), outpatient clinic, day program, social work, therapeutic programming, and administration / development
- Exposure to Jewish, Hispanic, Haitian and Caribbean cultures that comprise much of the Miami community
- Mini-rotations across all areas with the option to spend additional time in areas of choice
- Volunteer opportunities on campus and in the community with a local YSA ward
- Planned activities to explore the South Florida area

Overall Schedule

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Orientation • Intro to Dementia • Memory and Research Clinic • Memory Day Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intro to Levels of Care • Independent and assisted living • Memory Care • Social Work • Administration and development 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intro to Therapeutic programming • Intro to Mental Health • Nursing home • Hospice and Palliative care 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intro to rehab and outpatient care • Mental health clinic • Rosomoff Pain and Biofeedback • Outpatient care / PACE 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flex-time to work in select areas and project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flex-time to work in select areas and project

Project: Students will have a menu of special projects that can work hands-on during the internship, including brain fitness technology, teaching elders technology, running a therapeutic group, artistic programs (e.g. music, art), and others.

Applications are available on November 15, 2019 and are due by January 17, 2020.

Scholarships will be available for tuition and travel expenses.

[Click here for the online application.](#)